In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 18-804V Filed: May 14, 2019 UNPUBLISHED

CHRISTIAN MATTHEW HAYES,

Petitioner,

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

Special Processing Unit (SPU); Ruling on Entitlement; Concession; Table Injury; Varicella Vaccine; Varicella Vaccine-Strain Viral Reactivation

Samantha P. Travis, Ogle Worm & Travis, PLLP, Kalispell, MT, for petitioner. Colleen Clemons Hartley, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for respondent.

RULING ON ENTITLEMENT¹

Dorsey, Chief Special Master:

On June 6, 2018, petitioner filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*,² (the "Vaccine Act"). Petitioner alleges that as a result of receiving a varicella vaccine on July 25, 2016, he suffered an active disseminated vaccine-strain varicella infection, with subsequent permanent scarring. Petition at 1. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On May 9, 2019, respondent filed his Rule 4(c) report in which he concedes that petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case. Respondent's Rule 4(c) Report at 1. Specifically, respondent states that "petitioner has met the statutory requirements for

¹ The undersigned intends to post this ruling on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website. **This means the ruling will be available to anyone with access to the internet.** In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, the undersigned agrees that the identified material fits within this definition, the undersigned will redact such material from public access. Because this unpublished ruling contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, undersigned is required to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services).

² National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755.

entitlement to compensation . . . [and] satisfied all legal prerequisites for compensation under the Act." *Id.* at 3.

In view of respondent's position and the evidence of record, the undersigned finds that petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Nora Beth Dorsey

Nora Beth Dorsey Chief Special Master